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For: **METHOD FOR FORMING A FIBERS/  
COMPOSITE MATERIAL HAVING  
AN ANISOTROPIC STRUCTURE** )

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Washington, D. C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicants herein seek to amend the above-referenced application as shown below, prior to the first examination and action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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**In the Specification:**

Please accept a copy of the specification which incorporates the addition of paragraph numbers. No new matter is being introduced with the new submission of the substitute specification.

Please amend the Specification on page one (1) of the application under the title "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" as follows:

**[0001.]** --The present application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/374,775, filed August 16, 1999, entitled METHOD FOR FORMING A FIBERS/COMPOSITE MATERIAL HAVING AN ANISOTROPIC STRUCTURE, the entire content of which is hereby expressly incorporated herein by reference--.

**REMARKS**

Prior to the first examination on the merits please amend the specification as shown herein.

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**MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE SPECIFICATION**

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current preliminary amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

**SUMMARY**

If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the preliminary amendment to the specification, the undersigned would welcome a telephonic interview with the Examiner.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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